

Legislators Still Busy With \$3.2 Billion Budget

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The last few weeks of any regular legislative session are always a hurly-burly of activity, of pressures and counterpressures, of frantic efforts to get things going. This one is no different from its predecessors. With less than four weeks to go as I write this, most major issues are still before us, though some of them may be finally decided within days.

Our real legislative "iceberg" — nine-tenths concealed for the time by controversial

measures — is the \$3.25 billion state budget bill. Fiscal committees in both houses have been laboring with its many details for months. Until it is reported to the floor of each house for action, some time in the closing days, much legislation will back-log behind it, including some \$320 million in proposed appropriations for many special purposes. We know that changes in the budget will be made, but just what is anyone's guess right now.

program started to move recently, but is involved in hot, and sometimes bitter controversy. The bill to speed up insurance tax payments, but which opponents claimed would actually raise them some \$66 million, passed the Assembly by a tight vote. The keystone measure, which would put personal state income taxes on a withholding basis, has crawled over its first hurdles, but observers don't think its chances for enactment are great.

The third major measure in the group, to speed up bank

and corporation tax payments, has come out of committee, but is still strongly opposed. Involved in the fate of the budget and tax bills is the important question of state support of public schools. The administration program calls for an increase of about \$30 million per year over the amount needed to meet normal growth. In addition, a property tax to "equalize" resources as between school districts is recommended, which would raise about \$25 million annually. The bill supported by most educators calls for addi-

tional state support of \$100 million annually, as well as the equalizing tax. If this latter measure were enacted, the administration budget would be thrown greatly out of kilter.

THE BILL to provide more money for local streets and roads by raising the gas tax one percent and other highway user taxes proportionately has passed the Senate. It was amended to require action by the supervisors or city council before it could go into effect in a county or city. In

the Assembly, the bill has already been amended again to permit local levy of an additional one-half percent ad valorem tax on vehicles, the proceeds to be used for mass transit needs. About \$30 million annually would be raised by this new tax. In this form, the measure is given a good chance of passage, but there is still speculation as to whether it would be signed into law.

As might be expected, the legal deadlines set for consideration of its own bills by each house (June 6 for the Senate, June 11 for the Assembly) are

creating some problems for us legislators. This is particularly true as to social insurance legislation. Significant workmen's compensation, unemployment insurance and disability insurance bills thus affected are being carefully watched by all interested.

The going during our closing weeks will be rough on all of us. Our responsibility will never be greater, and the results of our labor on these and other important issues will, to an extent, shape the future of California.

It is difficulties which show what men are. — Epictetus.

Instructor Gets Science Award

Frank R. Major, El Camino College zoology instructor, will study in Charleston, Ore., this summer as a recipient of a National Science Foundation Award.

The grant is offered by the NSF held at Oregon Institute of Marine Biology at Charleston. The study will open on June 17 and close Aug. 10, during which time courses in marine biology will be conducted.

Library Adds New Books to Collection

Mrs. Margaret Dowd, librarian at the WALTERIA Branch Library, has announced the addition of the following new books available to the public:

Fiction: "Black Flamingo," by Victor Canning; "Everybody Adored Cara," by Ann Head; "Murder by the Book," by Frances and Richard Lockridge; "The Devil With Love," by Robert Nathan.

Non-fiction, "Sirens Should Be Seen and Not Heard," by Hermione Gingold; and "I Owe Russia \$1200," by Bob Hope.

Seven From Torrance in Aid Classes

Seven Torrance residents are among 82 persons taking a lecture series on "Immediate Care of the Sick and Injured" now being given at South Bay Hospital, Redondo Beach, hospital sources announced.

The course, which is now being given for the fourth time, is designed for persons who need advanced first aid information in their occupational lives, such as policemen, firemen, ambulance drivers, and lifeguards.

Some members of the course are safety personnel from industries in the area. Also, many nurses who have been away from nursing for a period of time use the course for brush-up.

Class enrollment of 82 is greater now than it has been during any prior series, according to Dr. Albert E. Ackroyd, Rolling Hills physician, who is in charge of the series.

Torrance residents attending the course are Donald W. Clegg, Los Angeles Fire Department, of 23118 Doris Way; John W. Cooke, Goodhew Ambulance Service, 2321 El Dorado St.; Fred Hamilton, Goodhew Ambulance, 2321 Torrance Blvd.; Billy Lewis, L. A. Fire Dept., 4223 Sepulveda Blvd.; Robert Nance, Hughes Aircraft, 5511 Carmelynn St.; Glenn Robinson, L.A. Fire Dept., 5410 Arvada St.; and Edward Witwicke, Goodhew Ambulance, 1323 Madrid Ave.

Local Co-ed Wins Award

Juanita Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Watson of Torrance, was the recipient of the Archbishop Cantwell Award presented by His Eminence James Francis Cardinal McIntyre at commencement exercises held Saturday at Marymount College.

Miss Watson was also announced as a candidate for the Curian Honor Society for general academic excellence during her first two years on the Palos Verdes Estates campus.

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